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SUBJECT: 1976 TREATY, SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOP-
ERATION: REPORT TO JOINT COUNCIL

1. THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION MUST SUBMIT A REPORT ON ITS ACTIVITIES TO THE JOINT COUNCIL AT MAY 12 COUNCIL MEETING. THE REPORT WILL BE SUBMITTED BY THE US CO-CHAIRMAN OF THE JOINT COUNCIL.
2. PARA 4 IS THE DEPARTMENT'S PROPOSAL FOR THE S&T REPORT. EMBASSY SHOULD CLEAR IT WITH SPANISH SIDE OF JOINT COMMITTEE AND REPORT BACK TO THE DEPARTMENT ON ANY PROPOSED CHANGES.

3. WE LOOK ON THIS REPORT AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO OBTAIN
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ADVANCE SPANISH CONCURRENCE TO MATTERS EXPECTED TO BE BROUGHT UP AT MAY 17 S&T MEETING, IN PARTICULAR APPROVAL OF COOPERATIVE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES OF US & SPANISH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES AND ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS FOR THE PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT FUND.

4. BEGIN TEXT
-- REPORT TO THE U.S.-SPANISH JOINT COUNCIL

FROM THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL
-- COOPERATION

-- -THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION HELD AN INFORMAL MEETING IN MADRID DURING OCTOBER 1976. AS A RESULT OF THAT MEETING AGREEMENT WAS SUBSEQUENTLY REACHED ON COMMITTEE RULES OF PROCEDURE; THE CATEGORIES OF ACTIVITIES WHICH WOULD COMPRISE THE SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY PROGRAM; AND SUBTANTIVE AGREEMENT WAS REACHED ON A NUMBER OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND FINANCIAL PROCEDURES. SUBSEQUENT WORKING LEVEL DISCUSSIONS FURTHER CLARIFIED THE REMAINING PROCEDURAL ISSUES AND POINTED THE WAY FOR THEIR RESOLUTION.

-- FOR THE PAST SEVERAL MONTHS TECHNICAL PERSONNEL OF U.S. AND SPANISH GOVERNMENT AGENCIES HAVE BEEN DISCUSSING PLANS FOR COOPERATIVE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES; IN SOME CASES THESE PLANS ARE WELL ADVANCED AND WILL SHORTLY BE READY FOR JOINT COMMITTEE ACTION.

-- AS A RESULT OF THE PROGRESS MADE TO DATE, A FORMAL MEETING OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE IS SCHEDULED FOR MAY 17,1977. AT THAT MEETING IT IS EXPECTED THAT STEPS CAN BE TAKEN TO LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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APPROVE THE PREPARATION OF FINAL PLANS FOR CERTAIN COOPERATIVE RESEARCH ACTIVITIES WHICH CAN THEN BEGIN TO BE FUNDED AND IMPLEMENTED. IT IS ALSO EXPECTED THAT AN INITIAL ALLOTMENT OF FUNDS FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT OF PROGRAM ACTIVITIES WILL BE MADE.

-- THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT IS IN THE PROCESS OF RECEIVING PROPOSALS FROM THE SCIENTIFIC COMMUNITY FOR ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES TO BE CARRIED OUT UNDER THE S&T PROGRAM. THE DEADLINE FOR SUCH PROPOSALS IS JUNE 30 , 1977, AFTER WHICH ADDITIONAL PROJECTS WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE JOINT COMMITTEE FOR APPROVAL AND FUNDING.

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